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1.  The amendment filed on 08 February 2008 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

- a)  entered.
- b)  entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.
- c)  disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.  
Any amendment filed after the date the issue fee is paid must be accompanied by a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(1) and the required fee to withdraw the application from issue.
- d)  disapproved. See explanation below.
- e)  entered in part. See explanation below.

The amendment filed on 02/08/2008 is a duplicate of the amendment made in the Examiner's Amendment included with the Notice of Allowance mailed on 02/29/2008. As a result, the amendment filed on 02/08/2008 would not be entered.

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